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FOR NAC AGENCIES

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SUBJ: BANGLADESH WEST ZONE POWER PROJECT

REF: A. MANILA 11275

B. TRSY 7098

C. DACCA 4589

1. BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVED LOANS AND TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR BANGLADESH WEST ZONE POWER PROJECT
OCT 17. PRESS RELEASE BEING POUCHED.

2. JAPANESE ALTERNATE DIRECTOR ASKED WHY PRIORITY BEING
GIVEN TO POWER SECTOR RATHER THAN AGRICULTURE. PRESIDENT
RESPONDED THAT BANK IS DEVELOPING PROJECTS IN AGRICULTURAL
SECTOR AS WELL, BUT THESE TAKE MORE TIME.

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EM USADB SUGGESTED TYING NECESSARY CORRECTIVE FINANCIAL MEASURES FOR BANGLADESH POWER DEVELOPMENT BOARD TO APPROPRIATE STAGES OF PROJECT EXECUTION AND DISBURSEMENTS OF ADB LOAN (PER REF B). BANK MANAGEMENT FELT SUGGESTION DIFFICULT TO FOLLOW, PARTICULARLY SINCE MAJOR COMPONENT (POWER PLANT) HAS TO BE ORDERED SOON. INDICATED THAT BANK ANTICIPATED SCHEDULING REVIEW OF TARIFFS TEN TO TWELVE MONTHS AFTER CONSULTANTS' IN FIELD.

4. FOR DACCA: SHARE YOUR CONCERN THAT U.S. FIRMS PRECLUDED FROM BIDDING ON POWER STATION AND AGREE THAT WIDEST RANGE OF BIDS ON MAJOR COMPONENTS WOULD LIKELY RESULT IN LOWER COST TO BORROW IN THIS CASE. HOWEVER YOUR SUGGESTION (REF C) TO CIRCUMVENT PROBLEM CAUSED BY FAILURE OF U.S. GOVT TO CONTRIBUTE TO SPECIAL FUNDS WOULD PUT BANK MANAGEMENT IN AWKWARD POSITION VIS-A-VIS OTHER DONOR COUNTRIES, WHO WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY INTERPRET IT AS PATENT ATTEMPT TO DIRECT PROCUREMENT THIS ITEM TO U.S.

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